GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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IMPROVEMENT OF BAMBOO FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has sent any proposal for improvement of bamboo forests;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The proposed project of the Government of Karnataka envisaged to undertake planting of bamboos on forest and private lands in one lakh hectare each. The estimated cost of the project was Rs. 580.00 crores for a period of five years. Since, there was no scheme with the Ministry of Environment and Forests under which the project proposal of Government of Karnataka could have been undertaken, the same was forwarded to the Planning Commission.